Claims

[c1]   1. A method for use with a system storing myriad digital media files, the method comprising the steps of:

generating myriad first thumbnail images, each first thumbnail image corresponding to one of the digital media files, each first thumbnail image having lower resolution and smaller dimensions then the corresponding digital media file, each first thumbnail image having first dimensions;

displaying a subset of the first thumbnail images, the subset comprising more than one and less than all of the myriad first thumbnail images, the subset created as a result of input from a first user;

receiving a configuration command from a second user, the configuration command indicative of second dimensions differing from the first dimensions;

generating myriad second thumbnail images, each second thumbnail image corresponding to one of the digital media files, each second thumbnail image having lower resolution and smaller dimensions then the corresponding digital media file, each second thumbnail image having second dimensions;

displaying a subset of the second thumbnail images, the subset comprising more than one and less than all of the myriad second thumbnail images, the subset created as a result of input from a third user.

[c2]   2. The method of claim 1 wherein the first and third users are the same user.

[c3]   3. The method of claim 1 wherein the first and third users are different users.

[c4]

4. A method for use with a system storing myriad digital media files, the method comprising the steps of:

generating myriad first thumbnail images, each first thumbnail image corresponding to one of the digital media files, each first thumbnail image having lower resolution and smaller dimensions then the corresponding digital media file, each first thumbnail image having first dimensions;

displaying a subset of the first thumbnail images, the subset comprising more than one and less than all of the myriad first thumbnail images, the subset created as a result of input from a first user;

a configuration command from a second user, the configuration command

indicative of second resolution differing from the first resolution;

generating myriad second thumbnail images, each second thumbnail image corresponding to one of the digital media files, each second thumbnail image having lower resolution and smaller dimensions then the corresponding digital media file, each second thumbnail image having second resolution;

displaying a subset of the second thumbnail images, the subset comprising more than one and less than all of the myriad second thumbnail images, the subset created as a result of input from a third user.

[c5]   5. The method of claim 4 wherein the first and third users are the same user.

[c6]   6. The method of claim 4 wherein the first and third users are different users.

[c7]   7. A method for use with a system for managing digital media files, the method comprising the steps of:

using face recognition to recognize faces portrayed in the digital media files, yielding metadata with respect to the digital media files indicative of the recognized faces;

analyzing the metadata indicative of the recognized faces to detect duplicate files among the digital media files; and

displaying the duplicate files for a user.

[c8]   8. A method for use with a system for managing digital media files, the method comprising the steps of:

using image recognition to recognize images portrayed in the digital media files, yielding metadata with respect to the digital media files indicative of the recognized images;

analyzing the metadata indicative of the recognized images to detect duplicate files among the digital media files; and

the duplicate files for a user.

[c9]

9. A method for use with a system for managing digital media files, the method comprising the steps of:

using scene detection to detect scenes portrayed in the digital media files, yielding metadata with respect to the digital media files indicative of the

detected scenes;

analyzing the metadata indicative of the detecting scenes to detect duplicate
files among the digital media files; and

displaying the duplicate files for a user.